Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 10 May 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 11 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 09 May 2023 at 15:23 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for showery conditions on Wednesday and Thursday but more settled towards the weekend. Lower confidence about the amount and intensity of showers for each area and day.

Headline for Wednesday 10 May 2023: Early low cloud clearing, sunshine and showers, a few heavier afternoon showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 10 May 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms Medium Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
<05%	10%	20%	30%	40%	60%	40%	40%

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Weather: Clear spells overnight for most ranges, ranges further east may see some low cloud and mist and fog patches which will clear in the morning. A bright start to the day for most areas perhaps ranges further west seeing more cloud to start. Showers will develop, more readily in the west at first but spreading east through the morning. A few heavier showers likely in the afternoon and some thunder is a possibility. Showers tending to die out through the evening period with some late sunshine, remaining cloudier in the east.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%, cloud associated with showers and early morning low cloud.

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered cloud above 500m first thing in the morning, perhaps more patchy in the west, low cloud will lift and disperse to leave most summits clear for a good part of the morning. Lower cloud may become scattered above 600m in the afternoon in showers but summits often clear.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	17/21 SE	24/29 SE	22/27 SE	19/24 S	19/25 S	17/23 S	11/15 SW	7/9 E	8/10 E
900	15/19 SE	22/26 SE	19/24 SE	18/24 S	18/24 S	16/22 S	11/15 SW	6/8 E	7/10 E
600	11/15 SE	14/19 SE	13/18 SE	15/20 S	15/21 S	13/19 S	9/13 SW	4/6 E	5/8 E
300	1/11 SE	1/15 SE	2/15 SE	6/18 S	6/19 S	5/17 SW	4/12 SW	1/5 SE	2/7 E
Glen	6/11 E	7/17 SE	9/19 SE	9/18 S	10/19 SW	9/17 S	6/12 S	3/5 E	5/8 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	4/-1	3/-2	3/-3	5/-0	5/0	5/0	4/1	4/1	4/1
900	4/0	4/-1	4/-1	5/1	6/2	6/1	5/2	5/2	4/2
600	7/4	6/3	6/3	8/4	8/5	8/5	8/5	7/6	6/5
300	8/7	8/7	8/8	10/8	11/10	11/10	10/9	8/8	8/7
Glen	11/10	11/10	11/10	12/10	13/11	13/12	13/11	11/10	10/9
Freezing Level*	1500m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1700m	1600m	1500m	1500m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling warm in sunny spells but still chilly on the tops, especially in any heavier showers, there may be hail in a few heavy showers at height.

Forecast for Thursday 11 May 2023
Weather: Cloudy in the east initially otherwise a bright start further west. Further sunshine and showers developing during the day. Showers dying out in the evening but mist and fog likely to develop by the evening.

Maximum wind: North 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered low cloud above 500m will come and go during the day, during showers and early in the morning and later in the evening, perhaps less cloud likely in the west.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 rising to 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits

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